## Superior Court of California County of San Bernardino Employment Opportunity



## **Family Court Mediator**

\$4,388 - \$5,607 approximate monthly (Effective 6/30/04)

**Application deadline: Open Until Filled** 

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The list resulting from this recruitment will be used to fill vacancies as they occur throughout the Court. Incumbents may be assigned to any Court District within the County.

The Family Court Mediator provides a variety of family law related professional counseling and investigative services, including premarital, child custody/visitation and other domestic relation counseling to individuals referred through the Superior Court.

Typical duties of Family Court Mediator include, but are not limited to:

- Provide crisis intervention and short-term counseling services to families and individuals experiencing family relations difficulties by using individual and group counseling techniques.
- Hold office conferences with the parties to conciliation proceedings and their attorneys; conduct marriage counseling to help concerned parties resolve their difficulties.
- Conduct mediation counseling to resolve child custody and/or visitation disputes and to assist parties in formulating joint custody plans.
- Determine if situations exist that may lead to personal and family injury in the marriage dissolution or child custody process; treat problems identified and refer parties to community agencies for long-term counseling when necessary.
- Examine court case files to obtain pertinent data for assessment; consult with attorneys of record to review information regarding the parties and issues in assigned cases.
- Conduct field investigations and interview parents, minors, and other case related persons; make scheduled and unscheduled residential visits for evaluation of minor's home environment and living conditions.
- Prepare case histories and evaluations; develop custody and visitation agreements; prepare case reports and make recommendations to the court; may be required to testify in court regarding same.
- Perform related duties as assigned.

Requirements: A Master's degree in Psychology, Marriage, Family or Child Counseling Social Work or related behavioral science, licensure by the State of California as a Clinical Social Worker (LCSW) or Marriage Family Therapist (LMFT) or Clinical Psychologist, and two years of increasingly responsible professional child custody investigations, family or mediation counseling or psychotherapy experience in a setting related to the areas of responsibility of the court.

<u>How to Apply</u>: Applicants must complete and submit a Superior Court application and supplemental application. Application materials can be obtained by phone at (909)387-6894, by e-mail at <a href="mailto:personnel@courts.sbcounty.gov">personnel@courts.sbcounty.gov</a>, or on the internet at <a href="mailto:www.sbcounty.gov/courts">www.sbcounty.gov/courts</a>.

<u>Benefits</u>: Paid holidays, vacation, and sick leave; retirement plan; deferred compensation plan; employee health insurance (medical and dental); life insurance; merit salary increases; reimbursement for professional development; and credit union.

Employment is contingent upon passing a pre-placement physical, including drug screening and fingerprinting for criminal convictions through the Department of Justice (DOJ) and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI).

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